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SUBJECT GOI PESTICIDE REQUIREMENTS

1. MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE JAGJIVAN RAM HAS ASKED FOR OUR HELP TO MEET INDIAN PESTICIDE REQUIREMENTS. THEY ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY GETTING THE IMPORTS THEY NEED OF TECHNICAL MATERIAL WHICH THEY REFORMULATE INTO PESTICIDE COMPOUNDS. BIGGEST NEED IS FOR CARBORYL (TRADE NAME SEVIN), MANUFACTURED IN U.S. BY UNION CARBIDE WHICH HAS A SUBSIDIARY IN INDIA. GOI HAS BEEN ABLE TO IMPORT ONLY 4,000 TONS OF CARBORYL FOR REFORMULATION IN MOST RECENT 12 MONTHS, BUT WILL NEED 6,000 TONS FOR THE 1975-76 CROP YEAR BEGINNING NEXT JULY.

2. OTHER PESTICIDES IN SHORT SUPPLY WITH ANNUAL METRIC TONS REQUIRMENT IN PARENTHESIS ARE ENDOSULFAN (1000), TOXAPHENE (800), PHORATE (200), AND MALATHION (2300).

3. UNION CARBIDE OFFICE HERE TELLS US THAT IT HAS PROMISED TO SUPPLY 4,000 TONS AND HAS ASKED UNION CARBIDE, NEW YORK, FOR AN ADDITIONAL 1,000 TONS (UNION CARBIDE SAYS THAT GOI ONLY SOUGHT 5,000 TONS).

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4. WOULD YOU GET IN TOUCH WITH UNION CARBIDE TO SEE
WHAT IS THE PROSPECT FOR THEIR SUPPLYING AN ADDITIONAL
1,000 TO 2,000 TONS, AND WOULD YOU GENERALLY LOOK INTO
THE INDIAN SUPPLY SITUATION. IF YOU HAVE ANY SUCCESS,
TELL MOYNIHAN WHO CAN REPORT IT FOR ME TO THE MINISTER.
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